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LETTER DATED 11 AUGUST 1995 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF CROATIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to annex herewith a letter dated 11 August 1995 from the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Croatia, Dr. Mate Granić, addressed to you.

I would kindly request your assistance in circulating the present letter and its annex as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Mario NOBILO
Permanent Representative

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Annex

Letter dated 11 August 1995 from the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Croatia addressed to the President of the Security Council

Allow me to use this opportunity to reiterate my Government's support to the peace process in the territory of the former Yugoslavia and the importance it attaches to the efforts of the United Nations aimed at establishing a just and lasting peace in the region.

In this context, we consider the situation in the Republic/Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina most demanding and fully support the deployment of the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) and, especially, the Rapid Reaction Force (RRF) to help and assist in the protection of civilians, as well as in finding the resolution of the conflict.

The Republic of Croatia completely understands the need for a quick and decisive action of the international community. My Government regrets the recent misunderstandings between the United Nations forces and the authorities of the Republic/Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina that have caused delay in the realization of the RRF mandate and is convinced that any formal dispute that might have occurred can be overcome in such a way as to benefit both the United Nations forces and the Republic/Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. In that respect, the Republic of Croatia fully supports the proposal of the Republic/Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina regarding the regulation of the status of RRF on its territory.

The Republic of Croatia is prepared to assist RRF in all possible ways in order to facilitate its deployment and the effectiveness of its mandate in the Republic/Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Furthermore, the Republic of Croatia will provide its capacities, facilities and services to the extent of the agreed RRF presence in Croatia, as well as make adequate legal arrangements to regulate this matter.

(Signed) Mate GRANIĆ